



RCYCP Current Certification Process

State Board for the Certification of Residential Child Care Program Professionals
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Discussion

- Overview of Legislation Requiring Certification
- Work Plan for Implementation
- Current Certification Process

History

February 2008 – GOC Releases Report “Recommendations for Direct Care Training and Certification”.

April 2008 – Chapter 218 of the 2008 Acts of the General Assembly (SB 783) requires certification of direct care workers by 2013.

May 2008 – State Board develops work plan for implementation of certification requirement and begins working on regulations.

February 2009 – Circulated draft regulations for informal comment

March 2009 – Held a Town Hall meeting to discuss regulations.

June 2009 – Issued Letter of Intent to RCCPs to determine number of individuals who will require certification.

February 2010 – Regulations published in Maryland Register

March 2010 – Regulations Adopted

April 2010 – Chapter 583 of the 2010 Acts of the General Assembly (SB 576) extended the certification date for direct care workers to 2015.

RCYCP Certification Options

Requirement for Certification Extended to 10/1/15

Full Certification	Provisional	Practitioner-in-Training
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. AA or BA/BS Degree2. HS/GED & Completion of Approved Training Program3. HS/GED, 2 Yrs Human Service Experience & Sponsorship	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. AA or BA/BS Degree	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. HS/GED & Enrolled in: (1) Approved Training Program (2) Apprentice Program with an State Board Authorized Preceptor

COMAR 10.57.03 specifies requirements for RCYCP certification, preceptor approval & restrictions on practice.

RCYCP Certification Roll Out

